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In re the Application of:

Toshiki TANAKA, et al.

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For: OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM AND METHOD

**LETTER TO THE EXAMINER REQUESTING  
APPROVAL OF CORRECTIONS TO THE DRAWINGS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner approve the corrections to the drawings of the subject application, as indicated in RED on the attached copies thereof, in accordance with the Amendment filed herewith.

Approval of the foregoing drawing changes is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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